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message

Dear Jones:

Enclosed are some items from the Archives (not published in the volumes) bearing on the matters we discussed by telephone earlier this week. Sorry to be so slow in getting these to you --- the damned copy machine broke down.

In regard to the Oswald "imposter" matter, I want to emphasize that this is a most complex and subtle matter which the Warren Commission went to some pains in order to avoid. If and when you come down to Washington, I would like to talk to you more about it face to face, as it is too involved to put in writing. However, in reviewing these enclosures, I suggest you also examine CE 932 - 941 inclusive, and CE 969 - 975 inclusive, especially the final paragraphs in CE 941 and in CE 975. See also the testimony of Bernice Waterman at 5H352-355, especially the testimony at 5H354. (Near the top of p. 354 she refers to a memo from a Mr. Hickey; this memo is the one dated 3/31/61 - enclosed.)

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reply

As you read through these items and the CE's, you will detect that the State Dept. was very concerned about the "imposter" possibility, at least as late as July, 1961, but the Warren Commission pretty much ignores it. Records of Oswald's fingerprints both before and after his trip to Russia were available, and presumably they were compared, although I have been unable to find a definite statement to that effect.

This whole subject is riddled with mystery and cryptic language. Note also CE 972, whic shows that the CIA took a special interest in Oswald in 1961, requesting a copy of a document which was (by then) almost six months old. ("A-173" is CE 971 = CE 934). Why??

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